



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/657,411  
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Applicant: D. Mauer et al.  
Group Art Unit: 3726  
Examiner: D. Bryant  
Title: SELF-PIERCING RIVET, PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR  
SETTING A RIVET ELEMENT, AND EMPLOYMENT  
THEREOF  
Attorney Docket: 0275M-000768

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 15 of this paper.